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## AN ACT CONCERNING RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT TAX CREDITS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 12-217zz of the 2016 supplement to the general
- 2 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
- 3 (Effective January 1, 2017, and applicable to income years commencing on or
- 4 after January 1, 2017):
- 5 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, and except as
- 6 otherwise provided in subsection (b) of this section, the amount of tax
- 7 credit or credits otherwise allowable against the tax imposed under
- 8 this chapter shall be as follows:
- 9 (1) For any income year commencing on or after January 1, 2002,
- 10 and prior to January 1, 2015, the amount of tax credit or credits
- 11 otherwise allowable shall not exceed seventy per cent of the amount of
- 12 tax due from such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to any such
- 13 income year of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credit or
- 14 credits;
- 15 (2) For any income year commencing on or after January 1, 2015, the
- 16 amount of tax credit or credits otherwise allowable shall not exceed
- 17 fifty and one one-hundredths per cent of the amount of tax due from

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such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to any such income year of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credit or credits;

- (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (2) of this subsection, any taxpayer that possesses excess credits may utilize the excess credits as follows:
- (A) For income years commencing on or after January 1, 2016, and prior to January 1, 2017, the aggregate amount of tax credits and excess credits allowable shall not exceed fifty-five per cent of the amount of tax due from such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to any such income year of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credit or credits;
- 29 (B) For income years commencing on or after January 1, 2017, and 30 prior to January 1, 2018, the aggregate amount of tax credits and excess 31 credits allowable shall not exceed sixty per cent of the amount of tax 32 due from such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to any such 33 income year of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credit or 34 credits;
  - (C) For income years commencing on or after January 1, 2018, and prior to January 1, 2019, the aggregate amount of tax credits and excess credits allowable shall not exceed sixty-five per cent of the amount of tax due from such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to any such income year of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credit or credits;
    - (D) For income years commencing on or after January 1, 2019, the aggregate amount of tax credits and excess credits allowable shall not exceed seventy per cent of the amount of tax due from such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to any such income year of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credit or credits;
  - (4) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivisions (2) and (3) of this subsection, for income years commencing on or after January 1, 2017, and prior to January 1, 2018, the amount of tax credit or credits

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otherwise allowable against the tax imposed under this chapter for such income year may exceed the amount specified in said subdivisions to the extent the amount of credits otherwise allowable under sections 12-217j and 12-217n exceed the amount specified in said subdivisions, provided in no event may the amount of tax credit or credits otherwise allowable against the tax imposed under this chapter for such income year exceed sixty-five per cent of the amount of tax due from such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to such income year of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credit or credits;

- (5) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivisions (2) and (3) of this subsection, for income years commencing on January 1, 2018, and prior to January 1, 2019, the amount of tax credit or credits otherwise allowable against the tax imposed under this chapter for such income year may exceed the amount specified in said subdivisions to the extent the amount of credits otherwise allowable under sections 12-217j and 12-217n exceed the amount specified in said subdivisions, provided in no event may the amount of tax credit or credits otherwise allowable against the tax imposed under this chapter for such income year exceed seventy per cent of the amount of tax due from such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to such income year of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credit or credits;
- [(4)] (6) For purposes of this subsection, "excess credits" means any remaining credits available under section 12-217j, 12-217n or 32-9t after tax credits are utilized in accordance with subdivision (2) of this subsection.
- (b) (1) For an income year commencing on or after January 1, 2011, and prior to January 1, 2013, the amount of tax credit or credits otherwise allowable against the tax imposed under this chapter for such income year may exceed the amount specified in subsection (a) of this section only by the amount computed under subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of this subsection, provided in no event may the amount of tax credit or credits otherwise allowable against the tax imposed under this chapter for such income year exceed one hundred

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per cent of the amount of tax due from such taxpayer under this chapter with respect to such income year of the taxpayer prior to the application of such credit or credits.

- (2) (A) The taxpayer's average monthly net employee gain for an income year shall be multiplied by six thousand dollars.
- (B) The taxpayer's average monthly net employee gain for an income year shall be computed as follows: For each month in the taxpayer's income year, the taxpayer shall subtract from the number of its employees in this state on the last day of such month the number of its employees in this state on the first day of its income year. The taxpayer shall total the differences for the twelve months in such income year, and such total, when divided by twelve, shall be the taxpayer's average monthly net employee gain for the income year. For purposes of this computation, only employees who are required to work at least thirty-five hours per week and only employees who were not employed in this state by a related person, as defined in section 12-217ii, within the twelve months prior to the first day of the income year may be taken into account in computing the number of employees.
- (C) If the taxpayer's average monthly net employee gain is zero or less than zero, the taxpayer may not exceed the seventy per cent limit imposed under subsection (a) of this section.

| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: |  |          |
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| Section 1   | January 1, 2017, and applicable to income years commencing on or after January 1, 2017 | 12-217zz |

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